

## *"I am the Officer"*

*I have been where you fear to be,  
I have seen what you fear to see,  
I have done what you fear to do -  
All these things I have done for you.*

*I am the person you lean upon,  
The one you cast your scorn upon,  
The one you bring your troubles to -  
All these people I've been for you.*

*The one you ask to stand apart,  
The one you feel should have no heart,  
The one you call "The Officer in Blue,"  
But I'm just a person, just like you.*

*And through the years I've come to see,  
That I am not always what you ask of me;  
So, take this badge ... take this gun ...  
Will you take it ... will anyone?*

*And when you watch a person die  
And hear a battered baby cry,  
Then do you think that you can be  
All these things you ask of me?*